Remote education provision: information for parents

It is extremely important that all pupils continue to engage in full-time education throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Smannell Field School is doing all that it can to ensure that every pupil has the necessary access and resources to ensure that this is possible. Some pupils are attending school remotely and this information is intended for them, their parents and carers.

The remote curriculum: what is taught to pupils attending school from home?

Pupils attending school remotely are being taught the same curriculum as they would be if they were attending on site. This curriculum is, necessarily, appropriately differentiated to ensure that it is accessible to all learners.

Remote teaching and study time each day

Every pupil has a unique timetable. We are not, generally, teaching pupils in class groups as we believe that our pupils respond to, and better engage with, one-to-one time with their teachers. This means that every pupil has a slightly different timetable each day.

Expectation for remote attendance

The expectation is that every pupil will attend school remotely during the morning and afternoon of each school day. Parents, carers and pupils have been given timetables that clearly indicate the expectation for each pupil.

Accessing remote education

Smannell Field School has developed a virtual learning environment using Google Classroom. Alongside this the school is using MyMaths, which is an interactive online teaching and homework platform for schools that builds pupil engagement and consolidates maths knowledge. All lessons are delivered using these two platforms. All pupils have username and login details and all pupils have received support to fully understand how to access their lessons.

All pupils are receiving live lessons with their subject teachers.

Additionally we have available;

- Recorded teaching: some lessons are recorded teaching from Oak Academy a DfE supported online classroom https://www.thenational.academy/
- Printed paper packs: Some pupils supplement their learning with printed paper packs using worksheets or workbooks
- Long term project work and research activities influenced by the specific interest of the pupil with guidance from their teachers

Engagement and feedback

The remote learning support team regularly contact parents/carers (usually daily) to feedback on engagement and prompt attendance on remote learning.

Parents/carers can contact this team at any time for advice and guidance.

How will the school assess pupil work and progress?

Assessment of progress is ongoing. Additionally there are end of unit/module quizzes and tests. This ensures that teachers and pupils know how well pupils are progressing.

Moving forward with remote attendance.

As we progress through the process pupils, parents, carers, teachers and other staff are evolving new ways developing the remote education provision. Innovation and experience are ensuring that there is consistent improvement.

Need help?

Please either ring or email your named school contact or email adminoffice@sfs.hants.sch.uk.